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1. US suggests that India initiate UN action on Hyderabad--  
The Department of State has instructed US Embassy New Delhi to suggest informally to the Indian Government that significant advantages might be obtained by making proposals which would enable the UN to help solve the Hyderabad problem without passing on Hyderabad's legal status. The Department indicates that the US does not intend to sponsor Hyderabad's case before the UN, but points out that military events may encourage other UN members to do so, thereby prolonging the uncertainty over Hyderabad's status. The Department suggests that India might anticipate such a development by showing a willingness to subject itself to the "moral scrutiny of the world" through the proposal of a UN-supervised plebiscite in Hyderabad, or a comparable step.

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2. US visit of Dutch Foreign Minister thought inadvisable--  
The Department of State has instructed US Embassy The Hague to suggest to the Dutch Government that the proposed US visit of the Dutch Foreign Minister to discuss the Indonesian problem might be inadvisable at this time. The Department points out: (a) it is necessary that Batavia remain the place of negotiations; and (b) the Republic of Indonesia might view such a visit as evidence of US-Dutch complicity.

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